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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

It has come to my attention that the FCC, a United States Government Commission whose charter is to represent ALL the citizens of the United States, has been pressured by corporations dominating the marketplace to reduce access to existing infrastructure.

An act of this nature is not a fair service to ALL citizens. The intent of large corporations is to minimize competition, thus maximizing their profits as they attempt a stranglehold on the marketplace. As we live in a rural community, broadband is essential to our communications, especially in times of emergencies. Taking away that option is not fair and is contrary to fair competition.

Fair competition IS the American way. Monopolistic practices benefit a few, but not ALL the citizens.

I urge that the FCC act in a manner that will benefit the largest possible number of citizens, and not succumb to monopolistic intentions.

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